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MEMORANDUM FOR DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY STAFF

SUBJECT: Defense Health Agency Facilities Access Restrictions

To assist public health efforts to contain the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and help protect Defense Health Agency (DHA) personnel and visitors, all supervisors, designated officials and senior officials will implement the following health protection measures:

- Immediately cease all large gatherings, to include retirement and promotion ceremonies. Large gathering are considered to be 50 or more personnel. If a moderate size (20-49 personnel) meeting is scheduled, consider the spacing and requirement for social distance. When possible, a distancing of at least six feet in between participants are recommended. If unable to meet this requirement personnel should perform the meeting virtually.
- 2. Any individual, Department of Defense civilian, military Service member, contractor, or official visitor who performed international travel within the last 14 days from the date of their arrival back to the United States may NOT enter a DHA facility unless told to do so for medical treatment. Routine access can be restored on the 15th day if the individual remains asymptomatic.
- All official visits by international partners and visitors are immediately suspended.

Regarding military medical treatments facilities (MTFs), all staff and visitors will be screened prior to entering MTFs using the Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidance and local market policy. MTFs will take into consideration communal transmission and Health Protection Conditions (HPCONs). Walk-in appointments will not be accepted. Exceptions will be granted by the MTF Directors, such as parents visiting their children in the MTF.

These countermeasures are effective March 16, 2020 and will remain in effect until further notice. If you have any questions, please contact DHA Physical Security at dha.physec@mail.mil or call (703) 681-6777.

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